

Miller & Rhoads

This Store Will Not Be Open Nights Before Xmas

3,600 Pairs of Women's Kid Gloves

Go on Sale This Morning at Marvellous Christmas Prices

Every pair of Gloves is a gift of quality—perfect in every respect—and from every point of view this is THE GREATEST GLOVE SALE any store has ever been able to offer—and just at the time when you want Gloves, which are always received gratefully for Christmas gifts—as well as your own personal use.

Every woman is invited to visit this Christmas sale of Kid Gloves.

\$1.50 Real Kid Gloves, 85c

Three styles at this price.

Women's Real Kid Gloves, grey and black, pique sewn, with Paris point back.

Tan, black and white, fine quality lambskin Gloves, Paris point back. These are fine imported real Kid and Lamb Gloves.

Real Dress Kid Gloves, light weight, with 4 rows heavy embroidery on back.

\$1.00 Misses Kid Gloves 59c

These are the correct weight, in the two popular shades of tan, all sizes from 4 1/2 to 6 1/2.

\$1.25 Pique Gloves 69c

\$1.00 Dress Gloves 69c

There are two styles at this price.

First.—\$1.25 Women's Oxblood Pique Sewn Gloves, medium weight, for street wear, with Paris point back—2-clasp.

Second.—\$1.00 Dress Kid Gloves, light for dress, all fine imported goods, 2-clasp, in the new champagne shade, tan and black; soft elastic skins, in all sizes.

\$3.00 Long Kid Gloves \$1.19

These are 12 and 16-button lengths.

In black, white and champagne. These are the popular shades for evening wear, and are

very fine quality kid, 12-button length, that are always sold for \$3.00.

Also 16-button length, black lambskin.

\$2 Real Kid Gloves for \$1.10

Three styles at this price.

Medium weight, pique sewn, a real nobby Glove for street or dress wear, in black only.

Real Kid Glove with Paris point back; can be worn for either dress or street occasions; these are in white.

Black Real Kid Gloves, with heavy white embroidered back; a Glove that can be worn with any gown. These are three unusually good values in Kid Gloves, and are really \$2.00 quality for \$1.10.

English Walking Gloves, 79c

Made of fine cape stock heavy weight, spear point back, outseam sewn, English cut thumb, one-clasp at wrist; in three shades of tan; an excellent Glove for street service.

\$1.75 Tan Pique Gloves \$1.00

Medium weight, fine imported goods, the medium shade of tan, one-clasp, in all sizes; a remarkable Glove for the money.

YOUNG AMERICA RIGHT ON EDGE

Toyland Dazzling With Its Burden of Wonderful Holiday Gifts.

OLD AMERICA ALSO ON EDGE

Flying Machines That Fly and Submarines That Dive Here for the Price.

If old Bill Shakespeare had just come to Richmond around Christmas time he would never have made King Richard talk about a winter of discontent. It is in the location of any part of Richmond's population, it is certainly not discernible from the countenances of those who are anxiously awaiting the advent of the morning when bells will be rung with a clatter, which under normal conditions would mean the end of the year and would more than fulfill the last part of that old saw about "early to bed."

Young America is on edge. And of course Old America must be on edge, too, on the same principle. Every morning, no matter how late, the door of the department store is open to the public. No one can excuse his presence under the tent because he had to take his son along. But all the same, the grown-ups will not be far behind the "youngsters" when it comes to emptying the stockings. And there will be no exception made for the children. Every one of the expressions will be a trifle more decorous.

Everybody an Early Shopper. The early shopping expeditions have been reported that the Christmas shopping season is on. The large percentage of the gifts have been bought early than ever before. Shopping has been going on since early November, say the proprietors of the gift emporiums, and who know but that your present may now be lying around loose, just waiting for Christmas morning to be taken to the store.

But the kids. There are miles and miles of future presents following willingly behind hurrying parents, because of the admonishment that "if you're not good Santa Claus won't bring you anything." So the diminutives struggle bravely on, talking man's steps just to be able to have the satisfaction that old Santa can't pass them by because they haven't "misbehaved."

Notwithstanding the fact many purchases have been made early, the streets are still thronged with those who had intended buying sooner, but who, for one reason or another, have not done so. It looks as if it will continue right up until the eve of the great day.

But have you seen the latest in the toy line? Real airplanes that can fly are now offered for your inspection and purchase. They are made of wood, and are very simple in construction. If you think your son and his friends have no prospects in the aviation line, you can give an insight into the workings of these flying machines, and they don't cost much. Surely there must be some embryonic Moslems and Simonses and Hamiltons in Richmond.

Can Fly and Dive. If you are worried about variety, forget it. There are monoplane and biplane, Blériots, Curtises and Jamnietons, to say nothing of the Wrights. In fact, there are all manner of under-sized airplanes of every known variety. And you can get them for as little as \$2.00. You can take your choice. With some of the machines a hangar is given.

In addition to the air-fliers some of the stores are exhibiting real submarines. They will ride upon the water, and then, if you are anxious to see them take a dip, why pull a plug and down they dive. Altogether, never in the history of toyland has there been such a variety of things with which to regale and enliven the young. You ought to get in line early to avoid the rush. Indeed, it seems hardly credible to believe that there can be a rush when one watches the avidity with which purchases are being made right along.

JOHN GEE STABBED

Row in Railroad Yard, but Cause Not Determined.

In a row on the Seaboard Air Line yards last night, the cause of which the police have not yet determined, John Gee, colored, was stabbed by a white man, who escaped after being shot at three times by Policemen Jennings.

When the incident occurred, John Gee was not far away and reached the scene just as Johnson was running away. His call to the negro to stop was answered by a shot. Before he had time to get away, he was shot in the back. A negro in the East End had been shot, but he could not be found. As far as could be found out there was no cause for the stabbing of Gee.

TWO GO TO CHAIR

Smyth and Sillington Will Be Put to Death Early To-day. A double execution will take place this morning at the State Penitentiary, when two men are put to death for atrocious murders.

John J. Smyth, a bartender of Norfolk, who shot his wife and nine-year-old daughter, and William Sillington, a white man in Rockingham county last August, will follow.

In the case of Governor Mann has been petitioned for clemency, but he has refused to interfere with the judgment of the courts.

Half Pint Fixed Him. Charles Hamilton, colored, was arrested yesterday afternoon on the charge of stealing half a pint of whiskey from the store of a white man, and then becoming disorderly on the premises. He was an employee of the company and the half pint is thought to be the cause of the second warrant.

Threatened to Kill Her. An unknown negro, yesterday afternoon entered the store of I. DeFuria at the corner of Oak and Leigh streets, stole a meat cleaver and threatened to kill Mrs. Bernheim. Mr. Bernheim, who came in the room, threatened to call the police, but the negro disappeared in a moment.

STATE DRAINAGE MOVEMENT BEGUN

Reclamation Project Launched at Enthusiastic Public Meeting.

WOULD DRAIN SWAMP LANDS

Officers Are Elected—Next Meeting in Norfolk in January.

Organization of what will be known as the State Drainage Association, having for its ultimate purpose the reclamation of all the swamp and overflowed lands in the State, was perfected yesterday at a mass-meeting held at the Capitol. The attendance was very satisfactory, an earnest spirit was manifested, and the launching of the movement was attended by most auspicious circumstances.

Temporary chairman Rosewell Page, in his opening remarks, called the proposition the greatest Virginia movement in recent years. Addresses were delivered by Mayor D. C. Richardson, State Health Commissioner Ennion G. Williams, Dr. D. W. Starbuck, W. W. Old, Jr., and C. G. Elliott.

Officers Chosen

Officers were elected as follows: Rosewell Page, of Hanover, president; Dr. D. W. Starbuck, of Henrico, first vice-president; W. W. Old, Jr., of Norfolk, second vice-president; C. A. Miller, of Richmond, secretary; and Joseph Ives, of Norfolk, treasurer. Executive committee, composed of a member from each county represented at the meeting: J. W. Bellwood, Chesterfield; J. Frank East, Norfolk City; J. A. Lesner, Norfolk county; A. O. Baum, Princess Anne; James G. Tinsley, Henrico; J. E. Dodsword, Hanover; J. B. Borland, Green, Charlotte; L. M. Nance, York City; William T. Rudd, Powhatan; G. H. Belknap, New Kent; M. B. Bollinger, Amelia; W. H. Wells, Greensville.

Messrs. Old, Richardson and Wells organized the committee on permanent organization, the Norfolk man being elected from the floor. Mr. Wells was present as a delegate from a drainage meeting held at Emporia on Wednesday night.

Ask National Aid

On motion of Mr. Ives, the representative in Congress from Virginia were requested to ask Federal aid in the work of reclamation. It is hoped to secure to the extent of the necessary surveys and expert information. A committee was appointed to take this up with the delegation.

The Drainage Law

Mr. Old, who had offered a bill in the Legislature of 1908 similar to that of Senator Lesner at the last session, explained the workings of the measure which is now on the statute books. He explained the first step in all respects the rights of the property holders are safeguarded. He gave some of the history of drainage, beginning with Holland. Mr. Old told of a tract of land in Missouri of 80,000 acres which sold for \$555 because it was inundated. No one would buy it, but it is worth \$5,000,000. The Norfolk man is exceedingly enthusiastic over the project and gave considerable impetus to the meeting.

Naturally, the principal address of the occasion was that of C. G. Elliott, chief of National investigation for the United States Department of Agriculture. He came to Richmond for the purpose of speaking on this subject. He read a carefully prepared paper, in which he told of the possibilities of Virginia if her lands are made productive. At the conclusion of his address he was given a vote of thanks.

Reclamation Epoch

Mr. Elliott said in part: "There are epochs in agriculture as well as in politics, science and discovery. One of them is upon us now, and calls for the reclamation of the lands which may be made suitable for agriculture. These lands are found particularly in the plains section of the State, which are useless for any purpose, the larger part of which may be drained and made productive."

"The loss upon many farms resulting from portions of fields which are undrained is hardly appreciated by the owners. The corn or wheat field of ten acres may contain only eight acres of productive land. The two acres which are water receive the same labor and seed as the balance, but give little or no return. A good crop upon this portion would be clear profit. Why not drain it and make the entire field uniformly productive?"

Must Co-Operate

"The drainage of swamp lands consists of two parts, one of which may be regarded as public and the other private. If a farmer can drain his own land through natural outlets which exist on his own farm, he is independent of his neighbors in this respect; but if he cannot do this he must join with them and bear his part of the cost of constructing such ditches as will give each an outlet. Such outlets thus become a common value and partake of the nature of public improvements, which are paid for not by a general tax, but by special assessments upon the property."

"The aims and purposes of the law should not be misunderstood. The inauguration of any general drainage work is optional with the owners of the land to be benefited. It must originate in a petition properly signed and presented to the clerk of the court. The district can be established only upon the ground that the execution of the work will confer a benefit upon the public welfare. Land owners must be remunerated for property which is taken or injured for the common good, but must pay the cost of the improvement in proportion to the benefit conferred."

During a portion of the session, when President Page was necessarily absent, Major R. V. Gaines, of Charlottesville, presided.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Gans-Rady Company's Friday Bargain Sale

ON SALE TO-DAY:

- At \$2.95—Men's Worsted Trousers, worth \$5.00.
- At \$1.95—Men's Fancy Vests, worth \$4.00.
- At \$1.00—Men's Odd Vests, worth \$3.50.
- At \$1.95—Men's Velour Hats, worth \$3.50.
- At \$1.15—Men's Soft Hats, worth up to \$3.00.
- At \$9.75—Men's Overcoats, worth \$15.00.
- At \$13.75—Men's Stylish Cheviot Suits, in the latest fabrics, worth up to \$22.50.
- At \$16.00—Men's Overcoats, with plain and convertible collars, worth up to \$27.50.
- At \$1.95—Boys' Bloomer Suits, worth \$3.50.
- At \$2.95—Boys' Corduroy Suits, worth \$5.00.
- At \$3.25—Boys' Knickerbocker Suits, worth \$5.00.
- At \$3.95—Boys' Knickerbocker Suits, worth \$5.50.
- At 35c—Boys' Extra Knickerbocker Pants, worth 75c.
- At 65c—Boys' Extra Knickerbocker Pants, worth \$1.00.
- At \$2.50—Children's Overcoats and Reefers, worth \$5.00.
- At 89c—Boys' Sweaters, worth \$1.25.
- At 29c—Men's Initial Silk Handkerchiefs, worth 50c.
- At \$1.15—Men's Soft Shirts, worth \$1.50.
- At \$1.15—Men's Men's Walking Gloves, worth \$1.50.

GANS-RADY COMPANY

Stole a Pig and Away They Ran

But Mr. Mitchell Followed and Got Pig, but Thieves Escaped.

While J. F. Mitchell, of 607 West Clay Street was looking after some things else yesterday, he heard agonizing screams from the only pig he had. Being very fond of the pig, he dropped everything and ran to the little sty in the backyard. The sty was empty, but he saw two young negroes sprinting up the street with the fat little fellow in their arms. Mr. Mitchell did not wait a second, but opened up a chase that would put Dorado on the blink. It was a question of less than a hundred yards when the negroes saw there was nothing doing against such a runner. The pig was dropped, while the thieves scattered to different places in Jackson Ward. Mr. Mitchell gave all his time to the pig, which was inclined to run after being dropped. He was caught and returned to his pen where he now eats the best on the pig menu and grunts with contentment.

LIGHTS TURNED ON

But Just to Test Them—Real Display To-Morrow Night.

Under the direction of Consulting Engineer Trafford current was turned on for the first time yesterday afternoon at the recently completed municipal electric lighting and power plant and the lights on Broad Street tested. Pedestrians were surprised, when, just as darkness was approaching, the crowded thoroughfare was brilliantly lighted for a moment. Not a blick was evident. Everything worked with clocklike precision. Mr. Trafford reports that the outer glow of the lights have not yet arrived. He said the lights would give the collectors until Saturday morning to deliver them, but that if they had not then arrived he would turn on the current so that the people could have the benefit of the increased light for shopping purposes.



Comfy!

You bet. Look after him—ladies.

He needs a House Robe or Dressing Gown awful bad.

Most men do—it's the one thing that a fellow never buys for himself—that he actually needs. Treat "him" real sweet.

Give "him" a Dressing Gown or House Robe for Christmas.

It's "the thing" in a Christmas present for "the" man.

\$3.50 and up.

Jacobs & Levy
The Men's Style Shop,
705 East Broad Street.

forgetting the past and not caring for the future. As soon as he could collect his thoughts and catch his breath Mr. Mitchell reported the matter to the police, but in his eagerness to get back his pig he failed to get very accurate descriptions of the young thieves, so they probably will get away.

MANY JOBS OPEN

Uncle Sam Needs Good Men for Work on Panama Canal.

Uncle Sam has again sent out a hurry call for workmen to aid in the construction of the great Panama Canal. This time boiler-makers are needed, and the country has been flooded with posters announcing free transportation to the canal zone with leading jobs. Richmond post-offices have been liberally posted with pink handbills making this announcement.

Only men who have had several years' experience in railroad and contract shops and in good physical condition are wanted. Full information may be obtained from the Panama Canal Commission, Washington, D. C.

The Civil Service Examination Was Just

announced nearly fifty examinations which will take place from the present time through January 2. These include various positions in various branches of the Federal classified service.

On February 4 examinations will be held for first grade and clerical and third grade and subclerical positions in the various field branches. Applications must be made to reach Washington not later than January 2. Full information concerning these examinations may be obtained in Richmond from William H. Ham, local civil service secretary, registry division, post-office.

Arrested for Stealing Overcoat

Herbert Montague, colored, charged with stealing an overcoat, valued at \$15, from John Jones, was arrested at the First Station last night.

TWO STONE RING

FOR "HER"

DON'T COST MUCH

SMITH & WEBSTER,
612 E. Main.

Xmas Holiday Tickets
NOW ON SALE
All Lines

Richmond Transfer Co.,
809 East Main St.,
Murphy's and Jefferson Hotels

Your Laundry Mad. 418

Send us your sheets, pillow slips, bolster cases, tablecloths, napkins, towels, etc. Try our Flat Work service.

ECLIPSE LAUNDRY

ATTRACTION GIFTS
in
STERLING SILVER
and
GOLD WARE
at
Schwarzschild Bros.

Look at the guarantee you get on G. M. Co's "Pearl" Roofing Tin, Manufactured by Gordon Metal Co., 14th and Dock Sts., Richmond, Va.

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ASSYRIAN BEAT HIS GRANDMOTHER

Arrested and Locked Up for Hitting Her in Face and Biting Her on the Wrist.

Jack Etosh, a big, husky Assyrian boy, who says he is sixteen years of age, was locked up in the Second Police Station last night on a warrant issued by his grandmother, Mary Etosh, who charges that he brutally beat her, Mrs. Etosh is more than sixty years of age.

The parents of young Etosh are out of the city and he was left to the care of his grandmother at the home, 115 West Main Street, which is next door to the residence of Policeman Robert Crafon. Early yesterday afternoon the boy came in, and something happened that he did not like. There were a few hot words between the boy and his grandmother, and he opened up the fight. First he struck her several times in the face, bringing blood each time, and then bit her twice on the wrist.

The old woman ran to the residence of Officer Crafon for help, but he was not at home. A telephone call was sent to the Second Station, and young Etosh was arrested by Policeman Thurman. He will answer to the charge in the Police Court this morning.

CARRIED HATCHET IN HIS POCKET

Alexander Brown Had Boarding House in Upoor Until Police Arrived.

Alexander Brown was arrested last night and locked up in the Second Police Station on the charge of being drunk and disorderly. While there was no warrant issued against him, he entered a boarding house at 706 East Marshall Street and became very obstreperous. Among other things he knocked the landlady down. She called for the police in a hurry, and Policemen Warriner and Reid responded. When they came in, Brown was found under the table.

There was a big scuffle when he was pulled out. He asserted that he could lick any man on the force, and after getting out tried conclusions on the street with Officer Reid, who very promptly knocked him down while waiting for the patrol.

After being put in the wagon in charge of Policeman Thurman, he again spoke about being champion of the world. Thurman had little to say about pugilism, so there was no fight. At the station, a hatchet was found in his pocket. When he broke down and cried very copiously, saying that he had never before been arrested. He was carried back to the cell.

PATRICK A. LANE NAMED AS KEEPER

Elected Custodian of Joseph Bryan Park on the First Ballot.

Patrick A. Lane, of Madison Ward, was last night elected keeper of Joseph Bryan Park by the Grounds and Buildings Committee. He will begin his labors on February 1, but will not be able to occupy the keeper's house until a month later. The position will pay \$500 a year.

But two names were placed in nomination from the floor—that of the successful candidate and John Temple Goddin, though there were several who aspired to the office by letter among them being R. N. (Nat) Tiller, James Maharg, of Norfolk; George T. Hann, D. C. Elliott, J. F. Helms, J. W. Hecke, Elmer P. Afield and J. W. Pierce. None of these candidates received a vote.

Councilman Barney Bowman nominated Lane, while Alderman Grimes placed the name of Goddin. Of Jefferson Ward, in nomination. The vote resulted as follows: For Lane—Atkins, Bennett, Blake, Bowman, Brown, Seaton, and Baskins. For Goddin—Grimes, Melton, Powers and Selph.

In order to give the men Christmas money and time enough in which to spend it a special meeting of the committee will be held next Thursday night for the purpose of approving the pay roll.

An application from the Radcliffe Lyceum Bureau was received for the use of the City Auditorium on the following dates: January 15 and 30, February 2 and April 12. The request was granted at a rental of \$50 for each performance. Some months ago this same organization was allowed the use of the Auditorium for \$25 a performance, which raised a storm of protest from local theatrical interests.

Councilman Blake introduced an ordinance recommending that the City Attorney secure by condemnation proceedings the property in old Jackson Ward bounded by Bacon, Orange, Second and St. James Streets, including the improved property thereon, at a cost not exceeding \$12,500, to be used for park purposes. This ordinance was recommended to the Council for adoption.

SAVED DYNAMITE

Burglars Went Through Safe and May Be Smoking Cigars. "This safe is open!" Comforted by this assurance, burglars who entered the cigar factory of John Pogue, at 18 North Seventh Street, early yesterday morning, proceeded with investigation of the institution where Mr. Pogue does not keep his money. This large sign has been on the safe for a long time, so that third-story men with innocent curiosity might not blow off the door and so injure the safe.

No doubt the hearts of the thief or thieves beat high with anticipation when they discovered the safe, a complete inventory of which was taken. This was undoubtedly broken open and no indeed must have been the disappointment when a basket of old canceled checks was unearthed. For the compartment had been locked inadvertently.

So far as Mr. Pogue can find out the booty carried away consisted of a box covering an old lounge in the place. However, this may have been utilized in wrapping up some cigars. He will not know until he completes his inventory today.

Threatened to Kill Her

An unknown negro, yesterday afternoon entered the store of I. DeFuria at the corner of Oak and Leigh streets, stole a meat cleaver and threatened to kill Mrs. Bernheim. Mr. Bernheim, who came in the room, threatened to call the police, but the negro disappeared in a moment.

ALL STYLES
ALL LEATHERS
ALL SIZES
AND WIDTHS

GOODYEAR WELT

W.L. DOUGLAS

\$3.50 & \$4.00 SHOES

If I could take you into my large factories at Brockton, Mass., and show you how carefully W. L. Douglas shoes are made, the superior workmanship and the high grade leathers used, you would then understand why Dollar for Dollar I Guarantee My Shoes to hold their shape, look and fit better and wear longer than any other \$3.50 or \$4.00 shoes you can buy. Do you realize that my shoes have been the standard for over thirty years; that I make and sell more \$3.50 and \$4.00 shoes than any other manufacturer in the United States?

Quality counts. It has made my shoes The Leaders of the World. For Fall and Winter Wear, my immense stock includes the latest and best styles in every size and width, especially in Young Men's Lasts, and my stores also carry at all